

Attorney's Docket No. SHO-0023

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION
English Language Declaration

As an authorized representative of ARUZE Corp., the former employer of the below named inventor and holder of all rights in and to the invention disclosed in the below-identified patent application, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that Masaaki Asonuma is the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

"GAMING MACHINE."

The specification of which

(check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on October 31, 2003 as

Application Serial No. 10/697,249
and was amended on
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent of inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

<u>2002-335116</u> (Number)	<u>Japan</u> (Country)	<u>19/November/2002</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 and 1.63(d) which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

(Status)
(patented, pending, abandoned)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

English Language Declaration

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As an authorized representative of assignee in connection with this application, I hereby appoint the practitioners associated with **Customer No. 23353** including at least the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:


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